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When Captain Bashkatov refused to present the documents of the steamer on May 18, 1943, motivating that they were repeatedly examined, the Japanese started to threaten. A battle-alarm was given on the Japanese war-ship and her guns were directed on the ship "Ingul". An armed Japanese guard was running and loading rifles on the deck of the ship "Ingul".

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Without giving a special accusation the ship "Ingul" was kept under arrest in the Port "Otomari" till 13:15 hours of June 23, 1943, i.e., 60 days.

Military Prosecutor of the Pacific Area
Lt. Colonel of Justice

Shlichkov.

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSLATION OF THE ABOVE DOCUMENT.

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報告

一、一九四三年（昭和十八年）國營電氣汽船會社所屬船「イングール」號抑留ニ關スル件。

太平洋水城軍幕僚寮田ニ依ル調査結果下記ノ如シ。

「イングール」號ハ一九四三年（昭和十八年）四月二十九日宗谷海峽北方水路ヲ航行中九時四二分北緯四五度四九分、東經一四一度五三分ニ於テ日本軍艦ニ依リ抑留セラレタリ。

日本軍艦ヨリ日本海軍大尉、通譯、信號手、及他十名ノ日本船員ガ搭載ボートニ乘リ「イングール」號ニ來着セリ。

船荷及當該船舶ノ所屬ニ關スル書類ガ検査サレ「イングール」號ガ戰爭中ニ米國ニ於テ購入セラレタモノデアルトノ嫌疑ノ下ニ拿捕セラレ武器ヲ使用スルトノ嫌疑ノ下ニ「イングール」號ハ大泊港ニ護送サレタリ。同港ニハ一九四三年（昭和十八年）四月三十日二時五五分到着セリ。

大泊港到着後「イングール」號ニハ海軍少尉「手塚」ヲ艦長トスル十二名ヨリ成ル一隊ノ日本武装兵員ガ來リ、彼等ハ船ノ各所ヲ占據セリ。無電室ハ日本人ニ依リ閉鎖セラレタリ。ソノ後日本ノ軍

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人達ハ同船ガ戦争中米國ニ於テ受領セラレタルモ
ノナリトノ證據ヲ得ントシテ證據ヲ檢査シ、且舊
々ノ國籍ニ就テ船長ヲ訊問セリ。

一九四三年（昭和十八年）三月十八日船長「バ
シユカートフ」ガ同證據ハ一度ナラス協談サレタ
リトノ理由ニ依リ船舶證據ノ提出ヲ拒絶セルニ日
本人ハ脅迫手段ヲ用ヒ治メタリ。日本軍艦上ニハ
戰國畫報ガ曉ラサレ、艦ハ「イングール」號ニ照
準セラレタリ。「イングール」號上ノ武裝セル日
本軍艦兵ハ走りナガラ小銃ニ接頭シ甲板上ヲ馳ケ
廻リタリ。

一是ノ告訴ノ擧起ミナク「イングール」號ハ一
九四三年六月二十八日十三時十五分大泊港ニ押留
セラレタリ。

太平洋水陸軍事務檢察官

岩田中佐 シニルイデコフ